

## APPENDIX C

### FEDERAL-STATE CONSULTATION AND PLAN COORDINATION

#### Consultation Activities

The State's federal consultation process was initiated in 1975 with the identification of, and the establishment of contact with those agencies most likely to be affected by the Coastal Management Program. Those agencies were then invited to attend a Federal Coordination Workshop on October 6, 1976. Program information packets were sent to all agencies prior to the meeting. The workshop included presentations on New York's Program development activities, and exchanges of information and views on federal consistency, national interest, excluded federal lands and other requirements of the Coastal Zone Management Act pertaining to federal/state relations. Subsequent to that meeting, copies of several preliminary Program documents were mailed to federal agency contacts for review and comment: Goals and Objectives, Preliminary Statewide Boundary, and Geographic Areas of Particular Concern. As the State's Program development efforts gained momentum, a second federal agency workshop was held on September 15, 1977. Twenty-four federal agency representatives participated in discussions of both the content and alternative organizational approaches being developed for the State's Program as well as federal/state coordination concerns.

A major step in furthering the federal consultation process was taken when the March 1979 Draft New York State Coastal Management Program documents were sent for review and comment to all federal agencies with whom contact had been established (See Part Six of this document for a list of those agencies). Written responses received from ten federal agencies were evaluated by the Department of State and accommodated, where appropriate. The agencies' comments are on file at the Department of State.

Notices of public hearings held around the State on the Coastal Management Program were also mailed to federal agencies to afford them additional opportunities for comment.

At a less formal level, through participation in other workshops committees, meetings on specific state and federal projects, and consultations on mutual concerns, Program staff has continued to maintain an information exchange with the federal agencies including updates on the status of the Program.

### Plan Coordination

The State Coastal Management Program's Plan Coordination efforts have been ongoing since the inception of its development through the use of two approaches. First, the Department of State entered into contracts with State, regional, county and municipal governmental agencies to obtain data on coastal resources, issues and existing plans and programs which could be employed in Program development. The list of Agencies included all those designated under Sections 201 and 208 of the Clean Water Act at the state, regional and city level. Second, the 1979 Draft Coastal Management Program was submitted to all coastal area governments as well as to state agencies. Comments were received at public hearings and in writing, and if there were conflicts of a regulatory or programmatic nature, they were accommodated in the revised Program document or a mutual resolution negotiated. In December 1981, a second Draft Coastal Management Program was sent to state agencies for review. Comments received have been analyzed and no substantive conflicts found.